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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 December 2006 – 08:00 14 December 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	1	2	2 civilians in Jerusalem and Gaza
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian beaten in Yatta town, Hebron
Injuries	—	3	3	3 fishermen, incl. 1 in critical condition
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 2 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	27	1	28	Incl. 5 in Jenin & 6 in Bethlehem
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Troops dispatched by a helicopter, Jericho
Arrests	22	—	22	Incl. 6 children and 1 university student
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Land Levelling	—	1	1	East of Beit Hanun town, Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	A road levelled & 1 vehicle destroyed
Closure of Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 2 checkpoints partially closed
Flying Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	33	—	33	Incl. 2 in Jenin & 3 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	2	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. position taken near 1 Pal. checkpoint
TOTAL	166	12	178	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. At 18:45, the Israeli army closed Qalandiya checkpoint after having opened fire towards and critically injured a civilian, claiming that he had attempted to stab an Israeli soldier. The targeted civilian died of injuries sustained at a later time. Killing: Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint killed Hamdi Sidqi ar Rajabi. Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna. Wall construction has been completed near Al Quds University and in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Biddu and searched civilians and vehicles travelling in both directions. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Abu Dis. While patrolling the area, Israeli troops opened indiscriminate fire, claiming that a Molotov cocktail was thrown at an Israeli army jeep. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit ‘Anan and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa arrested Iyad Mahir Hammoudeh. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Hussein Rabee’ in the village of Beit ‘Anan.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of ‘Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of ‘Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni’lin, Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya. Wall construction has been completed in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Bil’in to Saffa, and Beit Sira to Beit Liqya. • <u>Raids:</u> At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched 2 houses, and withdrew at 02:45.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army levelled and closed with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya, claiming that armed Palestinian individuals had opened fire towards an Israeli army jeep, as was reported on 12 December 2006. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 17:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the village of Ath Thaghra and the other on Al Far'a-Al Badhan road, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of 'Anza, searched a number of houses, and detained 2 civilians. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp. (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Arraba, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 university student. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Abdul Lateef Basel Sheebani in the town of 'Arraba.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city) and Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raids: At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp. In the refugee camp, the Israeli army searched 1 house and arrested 1 child. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 16-year-old Mohammed Suleiman Srouji in Tulkarem refugee camp.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib with dirt barricades. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • <u>Raid:</u> At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and arrested 2 children, claiming that they had thrown stones at Israeli troops. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate to the village of Ras Tira arrested Mohammed Rasheed 'Odeh, a civilian resident of the village of Khirbet Ad Dab'a. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 children in the village of 'Izbat at Tabib:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) As'ad Hamed Sh'our, 15 years old; and (iii) Ahmed Jaber at Tabib, 16 years old.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. • <u>Checkpoints/Destruction of Property:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. (v) At 24:00, the Israeli army closed Al Badhan checkpoint and denied civilian access, after halting a civilian vehicle. After arresting 4 civilian passengers and destroying the vehicle (using explosives), the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and the refugee camps of Balata, 'Askar, and 'Ein Beit el Ma'. The Israeli army also opened indiscriminate fire in 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. In addition, the Israeli army searched a number of houses, arrested 5 civilians, including 1 child, and withdrew at 05:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested 4 civilians, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ibrahim Waheeb Joudeh; and (ii) Samer Mahmoud Zawatiyyeh.

	<p>The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the city of Nablus and the refugee camps of Balata, 'Askar, and 'Ein Beit el Ma':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Samer Jihad Janajreh, 17 years old; (iv) Jabr Mohammed al Bourini; (v) Ahmed Mohammed al Bourini; (vi) Khalil Mohammed al Walweel; and (vii) Ahmed Mahir Ibdah.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Wall construction has been completed near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat. • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:15, and again at 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 08:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area until 09:15.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho IDs. • Air Patrol: At 20:45, an Israeli combat helicopter patrolled the skies over the city of Jericho and dispatched a number of soldiers near the DCO checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the “Container”) checkpoint and prevented civilian vehicles from crossing. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow access to vehicles possessing permits as well as those whose drivers hold Bethlehem- and Hebron-issued IDs. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of ‘Ayda refugee camp, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 13 December 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu’ and the village of Al ‘Asakira, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians, including 2 children. (ii) At 12:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. (iii) At 19:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army patrol took position in front of a Palestinian National Security checkpoint for a period of time. (iv) At 01:05, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the city streets as well as the area surrounding <i>Al Muqata’a</i> (the complex of Palestinian security agencies). (v) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Fajjar. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Tuqu’ and the village of Al ‘Asakira: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) ‘Issam Khalil al Badan, 16 years old; (ii) Sami Hasan al Badan, 17 years old; (iii) Mohammed Sami ‘Uweidhah; (iv) ‘Azzam Dawoud Shawriyyeh; and (v) Ibrahim Mohammed ‘Asakreh. • <u>Detention:</u> At 12:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the “Container”) checkpoint detained Mohammed Ibrahim Hnein, a Palestinian security officer, and released him at a later time.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 09:00, and again at 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and searched 1 house. (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the area of Birka in the town of Yatta, searched 1 house, and beat Ibrahim Khalil ad Dababseh, after which he was transported to hospital for medical treatment. (iii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Taffuh and served a summons to Khaled Ibrahim at Taradeh, the chairman of the town's municipality, to report to the Israeli Intelligence Agency. (iv) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Raed Ibrahim Abu 'Iram in the town of Yatta.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army carried out 1 raid on Palestinian territory, during which it levelled land. In addition, the Israeli army as well as Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 4 occasions, during which they killed 1 armed Palestinian individual and injured 3 Palestinian fishermen. Of those injured, 1 fisherman was in critical condition.
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<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. • Raid/Land Levelling: At 16:45, the Israeli army, including 3 armoured vehicles and 3 bulldozers, raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 25 on the Green Line east of the town of Beit Hanun and levelled land, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 20:05, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations near Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards and killed 1 armed Palestinian individual, claiming that he had approached the border fence. Thereby, the Israeli army violated the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Ala' Ahmed Makkawi east of Gaza city.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 11:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 150 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards shepherds at a distance of 300 metres from the border fence east of the area of Al Qarara, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is open. The Crossing was open to civilian passengers in both directions from 08:00 until 17:00. • Attacks/Injuries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:20, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the city of Rafah's beach, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite the city of Rafah's beach near the Egyptian border, injuring 3 fishermen, including Hamdan Hasan Barhoum who was in critical condition.